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1. LONG RUMORED CHANGES IN NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (CABINET) ANNOUNCED HERE JANUARY 7. INVOKING NEW PRINCIPLE THAT OFFICIEALS MAY NO LONGER BE SIMULTANEOUSLY MEMBER OF POLITICAL BUREAU AND NEC, FOLLOWING MEN DROPPED FROM NEC BUT RETAINED ON POLITICAL BUREAU: MOZAGBA (JUSTICE), SAMPASSA (YOUTH AND SPORTS), SAKOMBI (NATIONAL ORIENTATION), AND UMBA (FOREIGN AFFAIRS). FOLLOWING FOUR ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF NEC DROPPED AND WILL "ASSUME OTHER FUNCTIONS": BARUTI (FINANCE), NAMWISI (NATIONAL ECONOMY), NDONGALA (COMMERCE), AND EKETEBI (TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS).

2. NEW APPOINTMENTS TO NEC ARE FOLLOWING:
FOREIGN AFFAIRS - MANDUNGU BULA (FORMER FIRST COUNSELOR AT PRESIDENCY; ACCOMPANIED MOBUTU TO TALKS WITH EX-PRESIDENT SPINOLA; CHAIRMAN OF ALI-FOREMAN FIGHT COMMISSION)
NATIONAL ORIENTATION - BOKONGA EKANGA (FORMER STATE COMMISSIONER FOR CULTURE)
JUSTICE - KABUITA NYAMABU (FORMERLY STATE COMMISSIONER FOR PTT)
FINANCE- BOFOSSA W'AMB'EA (HITHERTO DIRECTOR GENERAL OF
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THIS DEPARTMENT)

NATIONAL ECONOMY - MAMBU MA KENZU (FORMER HEAD OF
SOFIDE, GOZ INVESTMENT BANK)
COMMERCE - TSHIMPUMPU KANYINDA (FORMER COUNSELOR AT
PRESIDENCY; VICE CHAIRMAN OF ALI-FOREMAN FIGHT COMMISSION)
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS - INONGA (FORMER STATE
COMMISSIONER FOR LAND AFFAIRS; BEFORE THAT, ASSISTANT
STATE COMMISSIONER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS)
LAND AFFAIRS - MULENDA SHAMWENGE (FORMER REGIONAL
COMMISSIONER OF BANDUNDU)
PTT - TCHOMBA SOMWA KIMBAYO (EMBASSY SEEKING FURTHER
IDENTIFICATION)
CULTURE - MATAA NKUMU WA BOWANGO (FORMER STATE COMMISSIONER
FOR SOCIAL AFFAIRS - A WOMAN)
SPORTS - ELONGA MALI MAZUNGU (FORMER HEAD OF SPORTS AT
UNIVERSITY OF ZAIRE)

3. REMAINING IN SAME POSITIONS IN NEC ARE ENGULU
(POLITICAL AFFAIRS), KAYINGA (AGRICULTURE), MUNTU (ENERGY),
TAKIZALA (PUBLIC WORKS), MABOLIA (EDUCATION), NGWETE
(PUBLIC HEALTH), BINTU (LABOR), AND D'ZBO (MINES).
RADIO ZAIRE ANNOUNCED JANUARY 8 THAT EXCEPTION HAD BEEN
MADE FOR ENGULU WHO RETAINS POSITIONS ON BOTH POLITICAL
BUREAU AND NEC BECAUSE OF NATURE OF HIS RESPONSIBILITIES.
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